policy is being followed to ensure that the fiats in comparatively less popular localities do not remain vacant for unduly long period due to non-acceptance. As the existing policy has been framed in the larger interest of eligible Govt, employees, no change in the policy is contemplated.

Allotment of Palmolein to Kerala

1121. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the allotment of Palmolein to Kerala has been drastically reduced with effect from December, 1990;

(b) if so, the details of the allotment made from September, 1990 onwards to the State;

(c) whether Government are aware that Palmolein is being distributed through Ration Cards in the State and at least 5000 MT of Palmolein is required to distribute it at the rate of 1 kg. per card per month; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to increase the Palmolein allotment to the State?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAO BIREN-DRA SINGH): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The details of allotment made to Kerala from September, 1990 onwards are:

Month	Allocation (In MTs)
September, 1990	5, 000
October, 1990	6, 000
November, 1990	4, 000
December, 19901 January, 1991 J	Due to non-availa-*biliiy* of adequate stock, no allocation was made to any State/UT during these months.
February, 1991	1, 200

(c) and (d) Allocation of imported edible oil through PDS is to supplement the availability of indigenous oils. Allocation of imported edible oils to States UTs is made taking into account the stock of imported edible oil available with the Government inter-se requirements of States/UTs, market availability etc.

Release of rationed quota of F. P. S. In Delhi

1122. SHRI CHATURANAN MISH-RA: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Fair Price shops in Laxmi Nagar and Nand Nagri are not given their full quota of rationed articles according to number of ration card holders registered with F. P. shops; whether this results in denial of rationed articles from these shops to those who go to purchase during the later part of the month;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) since when supplies have been reduced to the said F. P. shops and policy in this regard; and

(d) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a complaint published in 'Patriot' of 25th February, 1991 in this regard; if so, the steps taken thereon?

THE MINISTER FOR FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI RAO BIREN-DRA SINGH): (a) to (c) There has been no reduction in the allotment of rationed articles to the FPSs in Laxmi Nagar and Nand Nagri.

(d) Yes, Sir. Delhi Administration has indicated that there has been no reduction in the allotment of Specified Articles to the Fair Price Shop referred to in. the complaint due to the Gulf War.

Extension of Broad Gauge rail lines up to Dibrugarh

1123. SHRI BHADRESWAR BURA-GOHAIN: Will the Minister of RAIL WAYS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present position of the proposal for extension of Broad gauge line upto Dibrugarh;

(b) whether the approval has been given by Government for the extension; and

(c) whether the villages to be crossed by the proposed line has been finalised; if so, the names of those villages?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) Due to acute constraint of resources, it is not proposed to extend Broad Gauge[line upto Dibrugarh for the present.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Dons not airse.

Board Gauge railway line to Dibrugarh

1124. SHRI BHADRESWAR BURA-GOHAIN: Will the Minister of RAIL WAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the proposed broad gauge rail line to Dibrugarh would cross through Kaziranga National Park and Sibsagar Town; and

(b) whether the sanctity of the National Pak would not be disturbed by the Railway line?

THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA): (a) No, Sir. Due to acute constraint of resources, there is no proposal to extend Broad Gauge railway line upto Dibrugarh for the present.

(b) Does not arise.

मत्स्य उ पादन

1125. **श्री राम जेठमलानी :**
श्री दिनश गोस्वामी :

क्या **कृषि** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार का ध्यान दिनांक 23 जनवरी, 1991 के 'स्टैटस्मैन में "एक्सपोर्ट पोटेन्शियल आफ़ फ़िशरीज में फ़ाल" शीर्षक से प्रकाशित समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है ; और यदि हां, तो क्या चालू वर्ष में मत्स्य उत्पादन में कोई कमी आने की संभावना है ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है ; और

(ग) क्या सरकार ने इस वर्ष मत्स्य उत्पादन हेतु कोई लक्ष्य निश्चित किया है; यदि हां, तो उसकी मात्रा क्या है और लक्ष्य को पूरा करने के लिए इस वर्ष सरकार ने क्या नई सुविधायें प्रदान की हैं ?

कृषि मंत्रालय में कृषि और सहकारिता विभाग में राज्य मंत्री (श्री जयन्ती लाल वीरचंदभाई शाह) : (क) और (ख) जी, हां । 1990–91 के पहले 9 महीनों में मछली के उत्पादन और समुद्री उत्पादों के निर्यात के रुख से ऐसा लगता है कि लक्ष्य प्राप्त हो जाने की सम्भावना है ।

(ग) सरकार ने इस साल के लिए मछली उत्पादन का 38.20 लाख मीटरी टन का लक्ष्य निर्धारित किया है जिसमें 23.50 लाख मीटरी टन समुद्री क्षेत्र तथा 14.70 लाख मीटरी टन अन्तर्देशीय क्षेत्र की मछली शामिल हैं । इस लक्ष्य की प्राप्ति के लिए सरकार द्वारा इस वर्ष प्रदान की गई नई सुविधा है छोटी यांत्रिक मत्स्य नौकाओं द्वारा इस्तेमाल किए जाने वाले डीजल आयल पर उत्पाद-शुल्क की प्रतिपूर्ति की व्यवस्था ।